

Town of Bar Harbor: Covid Update

Mask. Distance. Wash Hands. Repeat.

October 8, 2020 / 4 pm / Town Manager's Office

The Governor's mandate requires Maine people to wear cloth face coverings in public places where physical distancing is difficult to maintain, as recommended by the US CDC.

Town Manager Question of the Week:

Q: Is Bar Harbor having Halloween this year?

A: Yes, Bar Harbor is having Halloween. The State of Maine has approved a plan that allows the closure of Ledgelawn Avenue so residents can trick or treat. There will be changes to traffic patterns and increased expectations for Covid safety that includes distancing, chutes for candy delivery, and masking.

The box for pre-wrapped and bagged candy donations will be at the Hannaford by the morning of 10/9. Donations will be accepted until 10/22.

More details and opportunities to volunteer coming soon.

Covid Transmission Update

- **MDI Hospital confirmed that they have had 11 positive tests to date.**
 - **5 Hancock County residents**
 - **6 (non-residents)**
- **As of today 10/08/20, Maine CDC has confirmed 55 positive cases in Hancock County.**
- **The current case rate for the State of Maine is 42.1 per 10k people**
- **The current case rate for Hancock County is 10 per 10k people**

[Maine Center for Disease Control](#)

Public Safety & Municipal News

To Request an Absentee Ballot:

- [Absentee Ballot Electronic Request](#)
- [Mail-in Absentee Ballot Application](#)
- The Voter may call the Clerk's office at 207-288-4098 to request a ballot

Important Dates to Remember:

- Beginning Tuesday, October 20, all voters must register to vote in person showing proof of identity and proof of residency.
- Last day to request an absentee ballot to take out of the office is Thursday, October 29.
- Last day to vote your absentee ballot in the presence of the clerk is Friday, October 30.
- All Absentee Ballots must be received by close of polls, 8:00pm on Tuesday, November 3
- There will be drive-thru Flu Shot Clinics being held at Bar Harbor YMCA from 1-3pm on October 27th and 29th. More details to come.
- Town Council meets next on 10/20 at 5 PM
 - Can be viewed live at townhallstreams.com or on Spectrum Cable Channel 1303

MDI Hospital

[MDI Hospital](#) Coronavirus Call Center : If you are having symptoms or think you may have been exposed to COVID-19, call your primary care provider. If you do not have one, reach out to our Coronavirus Call Center at 207-801-5900. Calling ahead helps our dedicated health care professionals provide the best possible care and protects those in our community who are most vulnerable. Remember: **PLEASE CALL AHEAD**

School Information: Conners Emerson & MDI High School

- School Emails and Websites
 - <http://www.mdirss.org/>
 - [Latest email update from Principal Haney and MDI High School](#) Bus Survey and Updates
 - [Latest email update from Conners Emerson School](#) 9/28 First day back
 - [CES Tiger Talk Newsletter : Long Weekend Update!](#)
 - [Latest email update from Superintendent Marc Gousse](#) 10/06 Phone problems

Government News & Mandates

[Governor Mills: Latest Updates](#) :

- [Mills Administration Announces Maine to Enter Stage 4 of Reopening](#)

- [Governor Mills Dedicates \\$25 Million More to Unemployment Trust Fund to Support Maine Businesses & Workers During Pandemic](#)
- [Governor Mills Continues State of Civil Emergency as Maine Fights COVID-19 9/30](#)

Representative Brian Hubbell's latest newsletter: [Scientific assessment of what is in store for Maine from climate change 9/14/20](#)

Other Government Resources:

- [CDC Guidelines](#)
- [Maine CDC](#)

Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce

If you have ideas that would help Bar Harbor businesses during this time, please email concepts to Chamber Director Alf Anderson: alf@barharborinfo.com

<https://www.visitbarharbor.com/member-center-coronavirus-resources>

Community Resources

- [Healthy Acadia Newsletter 10/06](#)
- [Open Table MDI – Building Community, One Meal at a Time .](#)
- [Jesup Memorial Library Interlibrary Loan is now active in Maine](#)
- [Mount Desert 365 Resource Spreadsheet](#)
- [Mount Desert Island Community Response](#)
- [Bar Harbor Food Pantry](#)
- [Help Request to MDI Community Helpers](#)
- [MDI Nonprofit Alliance : Share Our Stimulus](#)
- [MDI Community Helpers](#)
- [Island Connections](#)

Acadia National Park

- [See latest alert from ANP](#): Current Conditions | Park Campgrounds will remain closed for the 2020 season.
- [Vehicle Reservations will be required from 10/1-10/18 Click for more information](#)

Land & Garden Preserve

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Mental Health

[National Alliance on Mental Illness Maine](#)

[Maine DHHS - Hotlines/Crisis Numbers](#)

[Crisis Services](#)

Island Explorer

Downeast Transportation, in consultation with its partners, has decided to indefinitely postpone Island Explorer bus system service for 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

For more information or to add to this resource page, please email: nina@barharbormaine.gov